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AMONG THE CHURCHES

Congregational Church
Rev. ROBERT LAWTON, Pastor
Sunday Services
10:45 a.m. Sermon by pastor.
12 m. Sunday School.
7:00 p.m. Sermon by pastor.

Week-day Services
Tuesday 4:00 p.m. Junior C. E.
Tuesday 7:15 p.m. Y. P. S. C. E.
Thursday 7:30 p.m. Prayermeeting.

Methodist Church
Rev. O. E. BARNARD, Pastor.
Preaching service 11 a.m.
Sunday School 12:15 p.m.
Junior League, 3 p.m., Saturday
Epworth League service 6 p.m.
Preaching Service, 7 p.m.
Prayer Service, Thursday evening
7:30.

Christ Church
Rev. H. CHADWICK BURT, Rector.

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HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK

E. J. Parsons has opened a cash grocery in the store formerly occupied by John Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Stevens and son of Portland, are home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. White of Lyndonville, are visitors at Ed. White's.

Edna Finnegan of Canaan, is spending Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Winnie Finnegan.

F. P. Gates of Newport, was a visitor here Tuesday.

The new theatre opened its doors to a capacity house Monday evening. The pictures were reported to be excellent.

Dan McCarthy of Rumford, Me., is spending a few days in town.

Jerry King and wife have gone to Coventry, Vt., where they are employed by Mr. Treadeau of that place.

Alvah Blake and daughter Florence are spending Xmas with relatives in Montreal, Que.

Mrs. Viola Barnes of Newport, is visiting relatives here.

Miss Emma Hagar is spending the holiday recess in West Milan, N. H. with her parents.

Henry Amey is home from school at Saxon's River, Vt., and his sister Alpha has returned from King's Hall, Compton, Que., for the holidays.

H. B. Amey was in St. Johnsbury on business this week.

Mrs. Herbert Grant of Portland, is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Osborne.

Ella MacKenzie is home from her school in Watertown, Mass., for the holiday season.

Miss Martha Davis is home for her Christmas vacation.

Mrs. L. Holmes of Derby spent several days this week with Mrs. O. P. Wilcox.

Dr. E. N. Trenholm and wife, of Coaticook, were the Christmas guests of Mr and Mrs C. R. Withrow.

Philip Bartlett is home from his studies at Gray's Business College of Portland for the holiday season.

Dan Finn is home from his work in Colebrook.

Elsie Hall is in Montreal for the holidays.

Mr and Mrs Jas. Jackson are visiting in Portland.

Thos. Quinn won the handsome doll given by J. W. Thurston.

Mr and Mrs Geo Worth have started housekeeping in the Reeve tenement.

Mrs F. Danforth spent several days in Portland this week.

Mrs F. Damon has moved into the Bartlett Block.

The coldest weather of the winter has been experienced the past few days, the mercury dropping several times to 30 degrees below zero and once to 42 below.

The movie war is on. F. S. Storey is fully entrenched in Amey's Opera House with a show each evening and with the opening of the New Theatre on Cross St., with a show daily, the townspeople have plenty of opportunities to see the best in the motion world. How long this will last is a matter of conjecture. But it is an assured fact that a town of this size cannot support two shows daily. It will be a case of the survival of the fittest.

We thank you for your holiday trade and wish you a Prosperous New Year.

L. F. Jones, Dry Goods

W. R. Danforth is in Ludlow visiting his daughter, Mrs Earl Boyce.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Lionel Banner and Gladys Christie.

Lee Parker, a student at St. Johnsbury Academy, is spending the holidays with his parents.

Mr. J. H. Hanson of Stratford has assumed the management of the Stewart House. Mr. H. L. Hunt, a man of large hotel experience, formerly clerk of the Pemigewasset House, Plymouth, N. H., formerly associated with Mr. Hanson in the management of the Lancaster House, and recently manager of the New Revere at Berlin, N. H., will be directly in charge.

Mr. Hanson has already begun to make improvements on the interior and contemplates securing as many summer boarders as he can accommodate through arrangements made with Boston parties. If Mr. Hanson receives sufficient encouragement, he will make more improvements on the interior of the Hotel and will do his best to make it first class and up to date.

Obituary of I. L. Cobb

Long ago many Connecticut families came to southern Vermont, and it is more than a hundred years since one of them pushed on through the woods from Hartland and located by Seymour Lake. Only a few clearings had been made in what is now the town of Morgan, when William Cobb reached there with his family. One of his sons, Ruel Cobb, served in the war of 1812, and having married Nancy Anderson, began clearing land on the west shore of the lake by Elen Hill. This became their permanent home and the birthplace of three daughters, and of four sons, Luther Anderson, Hiram, Ira Leavens and William. Luther and Hiram went west when young men and located at St. Louis, where the latter married and deceased while in active life. The former returned east and passed his few last declining years in his brother's family at Island Pond. He was generally called "Uncle Luther" and known as an eccentric but kindly old bachelor. He liked to visit with his friends and was very fond of children. When more than four score years of age, he would go through the winter's storm to church. His beard was white and his cheeks smooth and delicately tinted by the elements. He passed away at Morgan, March 24th, 1911. William married Emma, daughter of Malcolm Buchanan of Morgan, and they remained on the home farm till 1898, when they moved to Barton, where he now lives with the family of his daughter.

Ira Leavens Cobb was born May 29th, 1839, and named for Ira Leavens, an early settler who married Phalla, daughter of Ruel Cobb. When nineteen years old, Ira Leavens, or "Lev" as he was called by the family, went to Mt. Sterling, Illinois, thence to St. Louis, Missouri, to which place his elder brothers had preceded him and his younger brother soon followed. The section of the country to which he went was then called "the wilds of Missouri," and it possessed all the elements of a new territory under rapid development. At that time Chicago was a city of less than thirty thousand inhabitants; railroads and steamboats were crude construction on which passengers made slow, inconvenient and dangerous progress. At various times all the Cobb brothers were engaged in rafting lumber down the Mississippi River from the mills at Stillwater, Minnesota to St. Louis, a distance of about a thousand miles. Great rafts of pine nearly equal in area to an acre of land were constructed. A shanty was built in the centre in which lived some twenty men whose occupation was to steer the craft and get it over the snags and mud—bars with which the river

OBITUARY OF MRS. S. H. BARTLETT

Mrs. Sarah H. Bartlett was a daughter of Malcolm Buchanan, who came from near Paisley, Scotland, when nineteen years old, to his parents who had preceded him to Holland, Vermont. He married Emily Helt of Derby and located in Holland, went from there to Morgan and for about ten years owned and lived on the farm by the lakeshore at Island Pond now the property of Hazen Blodgett and next beyond his residence. Here both he and his wife passed away in 1880. Of their children, those deceased were Mrs. Bartlett; Ann, Mrs. A. T. Walker, Willimantic, Conn.; Emma, Mrs. William Cobb, Barton, Vt.; Jane, deceased at Morgan when eighteen years of age; those who survive are Kate, widow of Jotham Cummings, Charleston, Vt.; Jessie, Mrs. L. F. Jones, Island Pond, Vt.; Archibald W. Buchanan, Mansfield, Conn.

Mrs. Bartlett was born in Holland, October 24, 1839 and was married to Alvin Bartlett, June 20, 1858 by Rev. Jacob Clarke. Their first home was the farm cleared by Jarvis Bartlett and the birthplace of his son Alvin, on the east shore near the head of Seymour Lake. From this location on the abrupt hillside, the lake, the hills beyond and Mount Bluff in the distance, are visible; so that from the beginning of their married life, they could look into the town in which they were to pass many of their later years. In the pasture were great boulders and one weighing several tons was near the house. About this rock centered incidents of the childhood of Alvin Bartlett and on it played when children, Jane, Edna, Amy Katherine and Elvin Malcolm who were born to Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett while they lived there. So closely allied were the experiences of the family with this boulder, that following a wish expressed by Alvin Bartlett it was conveyed during the summer after his decease to the family lot in Lakeside Cemetery. Among the finely chiseled monuments which time has rapidly assembled, it stands as neither hammer nor any tool of iron but the invisible moldings of the elements and the light touches of children who have gone made it ready before it was brought thither.

Mr. Bartlett came to Island Pond in the Spring of 1866 and having purchased the house on the lakeshore last but one before going out to Birch Point, or Brown Basin as it was then called, he brought his family there a year later. For fourteen years they lived in this house and it was the birthplace of their daughter Elizabeth Rebecca. During the time of their residence there and for some years before. Mrs. Bartlett was compelled to meet conditions that demanded patience and fortitude. For years she was an invalid, the duties of her husband kept him all day and every evening at the store, and his income was such that it required of her the strictest economy. The long hours during which she could not labor, but must think and plan for the young family, no doubt developed and deepened some conspicuous traits of her character. She must perforce worry about the family affairs, but she never made it an aggravation to others. She realized that her husband labored to provide a comfortable and cheerful home and to him and her children she was at all times and under all circumstances loyally devoted.

In May 1881, Mr. Bartlett purchased the Porter Hinman homestead on Mountain street, chiefly because he thought the locality would be more healthful for his wife and that she might live near enough to attend the services of her church. This is the birthplace of their youngest daughter, Edith Emily. For a period of nearly twenty years the conditions in this home, were remarkably for-

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"There groups of merry children played,

There youths and maidens dreaming strayed;

O precious hours! O golden prime, And affluence of love and time!

The essentials of host and hostess were natural to Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett. They never appeared to be disturbed, but quietly to enjoy the event they could make pleasant for others. Their son and daughters were free to invite their association to come at any time and without prearrangement. Friends were invariably present at Sunday dinner and holidays were festival occasions. "There are some still living of those guests of long ago who will recall the manner in which Mrs. Bartlett gave them welcome after the old, old fashion and be grateful for the memory.

It is a strange law of nature that adds grief and perplexity to many faithful souls when years have lessened the power of resistance and long service deserved sustaining care. Is it for some wise purpose or, in part, because we so easily forget? The last years for Mrs. Bartlett were filled with tense requirement. To her children and her children's children she gave of her labor and her sympathy far beyond her natural strength, and by the thought of this necessity she was sustained, till feeling it was no longer imperative, she yielded to life's weariness and felt no resistance when word came o'er the deep to her.

"To let the new life in, we know, Desire must open the portal; Perhaps the longing to be so Helps make the soul immortal."

By her faith she met all life's vicissitudes. It was the faith of a Scotch Presbyterian ancestry and of that colony of settlers in Morgan to whom the Bible was the guide of life and of her own home in which each day opened with divine worship. It was the kindly light which she kept burning through life's glad day and which led her on o'er crag and torrent till the night was gone and she went to those she had loved long since and lost awhile.

P. E. D.

RAILROAD ITEMS By "HICHBALL"

Thomas Graham of Richmond, is the new boiler man at the shop nights.

Middle Columbe of Alberta, has secured a position at the local shop as machinist.

Maynard Stevens, storekeeper at Dearing, is home for the holidays.

Conductor E. L. Graham of the second district is rejoicing over the birth of a daughter.

T. M. Davitt, conductor of the 2nd district wayfreight, is laying off on account of illness. Archie Damon is relieving him.

The laugh is on Fireman Palmer, who runs out of this terminal on 11 and 12. While hunting rabbits recently near Massena Springs, he became wildly excited and shot the dog he had with him, thinking it was a rabbit.

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